UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

JOHN A. E., : Case No. 1:21-cv-608

Plaintiff, :

: Judge Timothy S. Black

VS.

Magistrate Judge Karen K. Litkovitz

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL

SECURITY, :

Defendant. :

DECISION AND ENTRY ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE (Doc. 30) AWARDING ATTORNEY'S FEES TO PLAINTIFF

This matter is before the Court pursuant to the Order of General Reference to United States Magistrate Judge Karen K. Litkovitz. Pursuant to such reference, the Magistrate Judge submitted a Report and Recommendation on August 1, 2024, recommending the award of \$11,794.75 in attorney's fees to Plaintiff from Defendant. The Commissioner filed a response indicating that he did not contest the motion. (Doc. 27). Plaintiff filed a reply in support of his motion (Doc. 29).

As required by 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), the Court has reviewed the comprehensive findings of the Magistrate Judge and considered *de novo* all of the relevant filings in this case. Upon consideration of the foregoing, the Court finds that the Report and Recommendations (Doc. 30) should be and is hereby adopted in its entirety. Accordingly:

1. The Report and Recommendations (Doc. 30) is **ADOPTED**;

- 2. Plaintiff's counsel's motion for attorney's fees (Doc. 24) from Defendant is **GRANTED** in the amount of \$11,794.75 under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b);
- 3. Plaintiff's counsel is **ORDERED** to remit \$6,000.00 of this sum directly to Plaintiff upon receipt.
- 4. The Clerk shall enter judgment accordingly.

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Date:	4/7/2025	s/Timothy S. Black	
•	-	Timothy S. Black	
		United States District Judge	